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## Union Employees Accept 2-Year County Pact

By Bob Eichenlaub, Greene County Editor

WAYNESBURG — The Greene County commissioners Thursday, Dec. 19, ratified two-year contracts with union employees which places emphasis on improving the wages of employees at the lowest end of the salary scale.

The contracts with 130 employees at the Curry Memorial Home and with 52 employees who make up the county commissioner and court-appointed bargaining units will be effective Jan. 1. They are members of Local 585, Service Employees International Union (SEIU).

The commissioners also approved

a tentative contract with 14 employees at the county jail, but the employees have not ratified it as yet.

"There are a few questions which remain to be resolved, but we don't foresee any difficulty in reaching agreement on them," said John Haer, SEIU bargaining agent. He said that the Curry Home, county commissioner and court appointed units unanimously ratified their contracts last week.

Thirty-six of the 52 employees in the county commissioner and court-appointed units who currently receive salaries of less than \$5 an hour will receive increases of 40 cents an hour on Jan. 1, 1986, and additional in-

creases of \$25 cents an hour on Jan. 1, 1987, and 15 cents an hour on July 1, 1987.

The 16 employees currently receiving more than \$5 an hour will receive raises of 15 cents an hour on Jan. 1, 1986 and Jan. 1, 1987, and a raise of 10 cents an hour on July 1, 1987.

At the Curry Memorial Home, where all employees are already above the \$5 per hour level, the raises will amount to 15 cents an hour on Jan. 1, 1986, 10 cents on July 1, 1986, 15 cents on Jan. 1, 1987, and 10 cents on July 1, 1987.

There are several other new provisions in the contracts which ap-

ply to all employees.

Upon retirement at the age of 62 or older, employees with at least five years of service will receive a \$2,000 cash severance payment. It was adopted at the request of the union to replace the \$2,000 paid-up life insurance policy which such retirees now receive.

Also at the suggestion of the union, the county will pay \$150 a year to employees who terminate Blue Cross and Blue Shield coverage the county provides to employees.

It was noted there are a number of cases where the employees are also covered by health insurance coverage which their spouses receive from

their employers, thus giving them double coverage.

Any savings which the county experiences after making the \$150 annual payout will be placed in a pool to reduce payroll deductions from employees who require dependent coverage and must pay for it themselves.

Employees will also have the option of buying back as many as 22 days of accumulated sick leave on Jan. 1 of each year at a rate of \$20 a day, and will receive Columbus Day as an additional holiday.

The commissioners said that the same increases provided for in the union contract will be applied to

county employees who are not members of the union. They also said that salary increases for supervisory and management employees will be considered after the first of the year.

County Commissioner L. R. Santore, who negotiated the new contracts on behalf of the county, estimated that the entire package will cost the county some \$100,000, which will be covered by the three-quarters of a mill tax increase the commissioners have already approved for 1986.

"We (the commissioners) feel it is a good contract which is fair to both the county and the employees," Santore said.

## Mine Workers Claim To Have Contract; Massey Disagrees

CHARLESTON, W. Va. (AP) — A sometimes violent coal strike that started 15 months ago over clear-cut job security issues has ended in a fizzle of confusion with both sides declaring victory — and nothing resolved.

The triggering event was an announcement Friday, Dec. 20, that a settlement had been reached on an unfair labor practice case central to the United Mine Workers' strike against the A.T. Massey Coal Co. In dispute was whether Massey, with its scores of subsidiaries, should negotiate as a single employer; in the settlement, both sides agreed that it should.

But that was where the agreement ended; UMW President Rich Trumka said the settlement "completely vindicated" the union's position, while company President E. Morgan Massey said the "successful settlement . . . is on terms very similar to those proposed by the company to the NLRB last May."

Trumka said the strikers would return to work "within a month" and said it is "the union's position that those employees are covered under the 1984 Bituminous Coal Wage Agreement." Massey said flatly that workers who return "will do so without a UMW contract."

The dispute over whether Massey was a single employer is key to the union's demand for improved job security. Under the wage contract signed by most other national coal companies, a laid-off miner has the right to transfer to another mine where the company has work available without loss of seniority or any other job-related benefits. The UMW maintained that Massey refused to allow laid-off employees to transfer; instead they started all over again as new probationary employees at another Massey operation.

After their announcements Friday, it was clear that both sides anticipated the other's response to the settlement. At a Charleston news conference, Trumka warned that "if Massey continues to insist on playing its corporate shell game, and avoiding their legal and contractual responsibilities, we will see them in court on Monday, on Tuesday and every day it takes."

While Trumka was talking to reporters, however, Massey was distributing a news release saying that strikers would return to work "under terms and conditions (that) are different from the ones contained in the National Bituminous Coal Wage Agreement."

"Under the settlement agreement, A.T. Massey is free to agree to any lawful contractual terms that it deems appropriate," the news release said.

Trumka said the terms of the 1984 national coal wage agreement applied to the returning strikers because two Massey subsidiaries — Omar Mining Co. in southern West Virginia and Vesta Mining Co. in western Pennsylvania — had signed the 1984 national contract as members of the Bituminous Coal Operators Association. Trumka said that since Massey has acknowledged that all of the subsidiaries are — in essence — one company, the contract therefore applies to all subsidiaries.

In addition, the UMW's position is supported by contractual precedent: Omar Mining Co. signed the two previous national contracts, negotiated in 1978 and 1981, on behalf of at least 13 other Massey subsidiaries, including a number of those named in Friday's settlement.

The strike began Oct. 1, 1984, when Massey refused to sign the union's agreement with the BCOA.

But the strike's scope decreased steadily this year as Massey sold off a number of strikebound subsidiaries, which reopened with union contracts and new management. In recent months, the strike has focused almost exclusively on Massey mines in Mingo County and adjacent Pike County, Ky.

Those mines operated on a limited basis through the strike using non-union workers. Don Blankenship, president of Massey subsidiary Rawl Sales and Processing Co., said the UMW workers would return under the same conditions of employment offered strikebreakers.

"To my knowledge, they absolutely wouldn't be covered by the 1981 or the 1984 BCOA agreement," Blankenship said. "They would come back under the terms and conditions we currently have." He said those terms differ from the union contract over "probably a hundred different things" including job security and rehiring provisions the union described as essential.



## A 'Bale-Full' Scene

The afternoon sun brightens the tops of these large round bales of hay lying in a field off Route 21, east of Waynes-

burg. The sun also illuminates the pretty winter scene on the hillside, which has recently been covered by a light dusting of snow.

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## Local Dentist's Hearing Delayed

HARRISBURG — A hearing on an administrative disciplinary action against Dr. William R. Bartholomew, 44, of Waynesburg has been continued until Feb. 18.

The Waynesburg dentist faces 27 counts of unlawful practices and unprofessional conduct, which were filed against him in October by the State Dental Council and Examining Board. Both parties had agreed to postponing the hearing, which had first been scheduled for Jan. 7, said Michelle Meloy, spokeswoman for the state Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs.

Bartholomew is being asked to appear before the board to answer allegations made by 12 female patients, including two from Greene County.

Bartholomew was ordered held for court after a preliminary hearing before a Lancaster County district justice on 10 counts of indecent assault. One count of corrupting the morals of a minor was dismissed.

## W. Greene Teachers Ratify Pact

By Bob Niedbala, Staff Writer

ROGERSVILLE — The West Greene Teachers' Association has voted to accept a new three-year contract with the district.

At a meeting held to consider the proposal, "an overwhelming majority of the people voted to accept it," said Frank Hunter, association vice president.

The school board had voted to ratify the contract.

The agreement will give teachers, on the average, a \$1,600 salary increase in the first year, \$1,700 in the second year and \$1,800 in the third year.

It also includes a new 27-step salary scale. The old scale was said to have had as many as 35 steps, and contained "bump steps," or stages at

which the increase in salary did not conform to increases of prior years.

The contract "started a process of correcting some of the inequities that existed in the salary schedule," Hunter said. "It didn't go as far as I would have liked, but (the agreement) was a compromise."

The new contract also clears up some of the ambiguous language that could be found in the old contract, said Hunter. The ambiguities sometime led to disagreements.

With the contract, the teachers also will gain an additional personal day, which will bring the total number of personal days to three.

The negotiations between the board and the union officially started last January. The talks continued during the course of the year, at times aided by a mediator, and later

through the intercession of a fact finder.

The talks, however, were always conducted in a professional manner, Hunter said.

"Both sides worked hard and both sides stayed away from emotionalism," he said. "It seemed both sides were working for a settlement."

The chief negotiators for the board and union were members of professional associations. The union team was headed by Don Peroni, field representative with the Pennsylvania State Education Association, while the district team was led by Dennis Guth, consultant with the Pennsylvania School Board Association.

Hunter said the negotiators were able to keep the process going, even though at times "it was like dancing gingerly through a mine field."

## County Getting More Disaster Relief

WAYNESBURG — The four municipalities, two water authorities and one fire company in Greene County which were designated as eligible for disaster assistance following the Nov. 5 flood will receive a total of \$144,374 in public assistance funds.

According to figures released by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Jefferson Township will receive \$38,794; Carmichaels Water Authority, \$31,266; Rices Landing Borough, \$24,874; Dunkard Township, \$21,530; Greensboro Borough, \$12,910; Greensboro Volunteer Fire Co., \$8,370; and Crucible Sewage Au-

thority, \$6,630.

Although these are the amounts that currently have been approved, the agency has received requests and may provide additional monies to Jefferson Township, Rices Landing and the Crucible Sewage Authority, said Pat Arcuri, a FEMA spokeswoman.

The funds are provided to municipalities and other public bodies to help cover the costs associated with debris removal and repairs to publicly-owned facilities. They also can help pay for costs incurred during the emergency, such as those associated with search and rescue operations.

After its initial damage assessment, FEMA had included as eligible for public assistance all municipalities in Washington and Fayette counties, but only Carmichaels Water Authority, Greensboro and Rices Landing boroughs in Greene County.

After a number of elected officials requested that FEMA's determination be amended to include all of Greene County, FEMA teams visited the area to reassess damage in other communities. As a result of the reassessment, Dunkard and Jefferson townships and the Crucible Authority were added to the declaration.

## Aid To Flood Victims

## Red Cross Gave County \$106,000

WAYNESBURG — The Greene County Chapter of the American Red Cross reported Friday, Dec. 20, that \$106,715 in Red Cross funds were committed to Greene County to assist victims of the Nov. 5 and 26 floods.

During the Monongahela River flood, 172 families were assisted at the Red Cross service center and 161 home visits were made by caseworkers. Of the \$95,481 committed, \$53,424 went for food and clothing, \$3,632 for building repairs, \$14,815 for household furnishings, \$4,255 for medical and nursing supplies, \$990 for occupational supplies,

and \$18,365 for mass care.

During the Nov. 26 flooding of small streams, \$11,234 was committed, of which \$3,908 went for food and clothing, \$1,000 for building repairs, \$6,070 for household furnishings, and \$265 for medical expenses.

"We would like to thank everyone who donated funds to assist county flood victims," said Marion C. Rush, executive director of the Greene County Chapter. "We would also like to thank all those who volunteered their services at the Carmichaels center, those who helped with cleanup and transportation, and those who

donated food, clothing furniture and cleaning supplies.

"We want to thank Tink Eisinger and his group for playing at the benefit dance and the Moose Club for use of the hall, and all others who helped in any way during this disaster period. It was deeply appreciated by the chapter and by those families that received your help."

Mrs. Rush noted that the chapter has received \$10,300 in donations to date, with additional donations still needed. Contributions can be mailed to the Greene County Chapter, American Red Cross, Room 218 County Office Building, Waynesburg.



## Food For Families

Members of the Waynesburg Police Department distributed more than 50 food baskets recently to families in need. Donations for the baskets were received from all over the county and 65 pounds of food was given to each family. From left, Betty Jean and Johnella Wise of Mt. Morris are pictured with Officer Jim Gregan and Police Chief Tim Hawfield, who were busy distributing the food baskets.

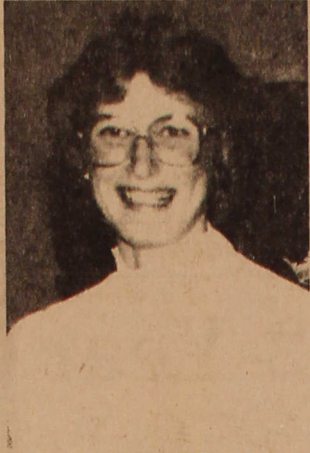
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# FAMILY ALBUM



## Silver Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Earl V. Masters of 1495 East High Street, Waynesburg, will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary with an open house from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, at the First Church of the Nazarene, Deerfield Lane. They were married Dec. 30, 1960, in Winchester, Va., by the Rev. Charles J. Bright. The open house has been planned by Mr. Masters' children, Donna Lee Henderson of Washington, Marshall Masters of Alpha, Fla., and Judi Suman of McComb, Ohio. They have eight grandchildren. All friends and relatives are invited.



MRS. WISE

## Lynn Bussey, Randall Wise Vows Heard

WAYNESBURG — The Washington Street United Methodist Church was the setting Saturday, November 30, 1985, for the wedding of Lynn Marie Bussey and Randall Johnson Wise.

The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Howard Widdup of 160

# SE Greene School Board Votes To Expand Breakfast Program

By Bob Niedbala, Staff Writer

MAPLETOWN — The Southeastern Greene School Board voted recently to extend a pilot breakfast program started at Bobtown Elementary School on Nov. 1 to the district's other elementary school at Penn Pitt.

The board voted after hearing reports indicating the success of the pilot program at Bobtown. According to the reports, not only are a number of students eating breakfast at the Bobtown school, but also the district has saved money by offering the program.

District business manager Mark Brozik said the breakfast program budget showed a loss of about \$9 a day during the month, but during that time the district had restocked its supplies. The district still has the supplies and they can be used during the next month, said Brozik.

By deducting the cost of supplies from the breakfast program budget the district ends up with a \$32 a day profit, he said.

Brozik said the program at Bobtown is serving about 87 students a day. He said the program at Penn Pitt could be operated without an increase

When asked about the turnaround, Brozik said, "We've just been keeping our eyes on expenses."

Brozik also reported that he will prepare a mid-year budget report in January on revenues and expenditures, and on how the district is doing in keeping to its budget.

"Budget-wise we're coming along pretty well," he told the board. The district "should end the year reasonably well if nothing unexpected comes up."

In other business, the board tabled action on a request for a \$177,474 payment from Robert Sheeren, architect on the Penn Pitt and Bobtown renovation project. The board had tabled other requests for payments from Sheeren in the past because of a dispute concerning a malfunctioning sewage treatment system at the Penn Pitt school.

The board ratified an agreement with the teachers' union which will stop a teacher's grievance from going to arbitration. The teachers had filed a grievance after objecting to board policy under which they are required to sign in and out each day.

The agreement, which had been worked out by the two parties, said

In other business, the board:

- Accepted the highest bid for the sale of a meat slicer and mixer. The district received \$205 for the slicer and \$55 for the mixer from Greensboro Coal Co., owned by Michael and Lisa Rumble.

- Granted permission for four football coaches to attend a football clinic in Hershey at a cost of \$512. Brozik, when asked if there were funds budgeted for such requests, reported that the district has about \$897 left in this year's budget for these activities.

- Voted to table a motion to pay administrators mileage for travel within the district.

- Announced that the board negotiating committee will meet with the non-professional employees' union on Jan. 8 to discuss a new contract. The current contract expires June 30, 1986.

- Gave permission to Rex Buckhauler and his basketball league to use the high school gym on any day but Sunday and only if a maintenance employee is present. Buckhauler had requested the use of the gym on Sundays, but the board felt the request would not have conformed to



### Certificate Of Appreciation

The Greene County Conservation District presented a certificate of appreciation to John S. Thistlethwaite of Morgan Township for being the first landowner in the county to sign up for the Pennsylvania Game Commission's farm-game program. The award was presented to Thistlethwaite's son, John D. Thistlethwaite, left, by Jim Spiller, the farm-game program manager for Greene and Washington counties, at the conservation district's annual banquet.

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### Forest Conservation Award

Betty and Neil Cole, right, of Morris Township were presented with the Outstanding Forest Conservation Award at the annual awards banquet of the Greene County Conservation District. The award was presented by Bill Wentzel of the state Bureau of Forestry. The Coles operate an 86-acre farm, on which they raise beef cattle.

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### Outstanding Cooperator Award

At the annual banquet of the Greene County Conservation District, Daniel Gapen, right, and Harley Gapen, left, were presented with the Outstanding Cooperator Award by Martin Niverth, conservation district manager. The Gapens, who operate a dairy farm in Greene Township, have used a number of new conservation methods on their farm to "insure that the land continues to be productive," said Niverth, in presenting the award.

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## Years Of ASC Service Recognized

WAYNESBURG — Seven men who have many years of service on Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Community committees in the county were recognized at the annual Greene County ASC convention Thursday, Dec. 12.

Pins and certificates were presented to John Thistlethwaite of Jefferson for 30 years of service; R. Eugene Hughes of Graysville and Earl Cole of Pine Bank

for 25 years of service; Alex Harry of Waynesburg R.D.1 for 20 years of service; Joseph Throckmorton of Waynesburg R.D.4 for 15 years of service, and Richard VanDruff of Waynesburg R.D.3 and John Briggs of Wind Ridge R.D.1 for 10 years of service.

Delegates to the convention re-elected William Cree of Carmichaels to the ACS county committee for another three-year term.



Receiving ASC awards were, from left, Joseph Throckmorton, Earl Cole, Alex Harry, R. Eugene Hughes, John Thistlethwaite and Richard VanDruff

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## Econo Lodge Plans Given Tentative OK

WAYNESBURG — Plans for the proposed Econo Lodge motel in Franklin Township received preliminary approval recently from the Greene County Planning Commission.

The two-story motel, containing 60 units, will be built on eight acres of land behind the Exxon station on Route 21 at the Interstate 79 interchange east of Waynesburg.

Kenneth Willison Jr. of Waynesburg, spokesman for the group planning to build the motel, said approval of the site plan would clear the way for completing financial arrangements for the facility by the end of the year.

He explained that the bank loan must be secured by Dec. 31 to assure availability of state Industrial Revenue Bond financing. The Department of Commerce approved the application for \$800,000 in IRB financing earlier on Monday out of funds which will be available only until the end of this year.

Waynesburg Motel Associates, Ltd., which has been created to obtain the franchise from Econo Lodges of America will provide the other \$400,000 for the \$1.2 million motel.

The planning commission indicated it was giving preliminary approval with the understanding that a necessary road access permit to Route 21 would be received from the Department of Transportation, and provided that recommendations involving outside lighting, landscaping, Conservation District requirements on earth movement and drainage, were met.

Willison said the developers had reviewed all of the recommendations and were prepared to comply with them.

Willison also agreed to furnish engineering drawings on proposed slopes and cuts to the owners of an adjoining 5.5 acres of land to give them assurance that the proposed work would not damage their land.

The adjoining land is owned by Arthur Santomo, Frank Gustine and Bill Gormley.

"We have no objections to the project but want to be sure that any movement of earth will not detract from our property," Santomo said. He added that while he and his associates have constructed a number of motels in the Pittsburgh area, they have no plans at present to use the property in Waynesburg.

In other action at the meeting, the planning commission approved a proposal by R&M Manufacturing Sales and Service to build a package treatment plant to replace a malfunctioning on-lot septic system at its plant on Route 19, two miles north of Kirby. The company operates a machine shop at which it repairs mining equipment.



### Presents AARP Charter

Mildred Shannon, left, assistant state director of the American Association of Retired Persons, presents the charter for the Waynesburg Area Chapter 3805 of the AARP to Lela Cummins, president. The newly formed chapter of the national organization meets the second Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in the Gallatin National Bank meeting room.

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## Victorian Bandstand May Be Restored

WAYNESBURG — A new group, the Historic House Association, has been established in Waynesburg with the primary objective of rebuilding the Victorian bandstand which once stood in Ritchie Park in the Waynesburg commons.

Lisa Swarz of 264 South Washington Street, who is chairman of the organization, said that it is affiliated with the Greene County Historical Society but it a separate entity.

"While we have selected rebuilding of the bandstand as our first goal, we are also interested in the preservation of historic buildings throughout the county," she said.

A tour of six private homes and four public buildings is being planned for next spring to raise funds for the bandstand project. It is planned for May 24, 1986.

"Above all, we need more members and would invite all interested persons to join," Mrs. Swarz said. Those who would like to do so are invited to attend the next meeting, which will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14, in the fourth floor conference room at Greene County Memorial Hospital.

Officers, in addition to Mrs. Swarz, are Nancy Smith, secretary, and Ed Hollwood, treasurer.

## Waynesburg Area Woman Released

WAYNESBURG — A Waynesburg area woman who was jailed on Dec. 4 for failure to pay parking tickets and for issuing a bad check was ordered released by the Greene County Court pending the filing of an appeal.

Dawna Raleen Riley, 27, Waynesburg R.D.4, was permitted to sign a \$1,000 bond and was released on her own recognizance.

She had been sentenced to 42 days in the county jail on Dec. 4 by Magis-

trate Ruth Hughes for failure to pay \$428 in fines and costs in connection with the check charge and 12 unpaid parking tickets she received in both Waynesburg and Carmichaels.

The court also granted her attorney's petition for right to press the appeal as an indigent after he said that she had lost her job as a waitress. He said Riley's car had been destroyed in the flood in West Waynesburg on Nov. 26.

## Ten Mile Authority Seeks Bondsman

JEFFERSON — The Lower Ten Mile Joint Sewage Authority interviewed six investment banking firms recently, one of which will be hired to sell bonds that will finance the local share of the authority's proposed \$6.3 million sewage treatment system.

It has been estimated that the authority will need to sell about \$2 million in bonds to cover its portion of the project costs. The remaining funds needed for the project will come from a grant the authority received from the federal Environmental Protection Agency.

Before hearing from the six Pittsburgh firms, Vic Lynch, the authority's bond counselor, explained that the investment banker will purchase the bonds from the authority "at a discount, less than the face value."

The discount is usually between 2 and 2.75 percent of the value of the bonds, Lynch said. The banker then will receive his fee from the difference between the amounts he purchased and sold the bonds.

Lynch told authority members the discount and other fees, such as the cost of printing statements — that alone might be as high as \$7,000 — are important considerations in hiring an investment banker, but the major consideration should be a "simple reaction" to the firm, whether they believed the banker will "make the extra effort to give them a better price."

The authority intends to sell the bonds next year; it plans to construct the system during the next two years.

In order to keep to its schedule, Lynch said he hoped the authority could decide on an investment banker at its next meeting.

In other business, authority Engineer John Schauder reported that the final design of the sewer lines and one of the treatment plants were completed and will be sent to utility companies so they can verify whether the layout of utility lines is correct.

Schauder also said his firm is drafting the design of the second plant. He was asked if either plant will have enough space to provide the authority with a place to hold its meetings. Schauder advised against using the plant for a meeting place because of equipment that will be there.

Authority Solicitor William Hook

reported that appraisals had been completed on three of the properties the authority intends to purchase for pump stations and treatment plants. The authority voted to pay Arnold Real Estate \$450 for appraising the properties. One appraisal has yet to be completed.

The authority also voted to pay its engineering firm, Betz, Converse and Murdock Inc., \$3,721 for work it had completed on rights of ways; and the law firm of Hook and Hook, \$2,500. The law firm serves as the authority's solicitor and also is processing rights of way.



### Red Cross Donation

Stephen M. Drizos, investment banker with Russell, Rea and Zappala Inc. of Pittsburgh, presents a \$1,000 donation from the firm to the Waynesburg Chapter of the American Red Cross. Accepting the donation is Marian Rush, chairman of the Red Cross, who said the money will be used to continue the relief efforts for victims of last month's flood. Drizos, a former resident of Waynesburg, said his firm decided to give the money to the Waynesburg chapter after learning of its exceptional work in helping those whose homes were damaged by the flood.

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**between the bookends**

by marcja mckenna biddle



Anyone hoping to learn to write would do worse than to read books by the late Ross MacDonald. His books are listed in the "mystery" category, but they're more than that. Take away their slick American dialogue and California dreaminess, and you're left with the nightmares of a Dostoevski.

MacDonald's descriptions and figures of speech were always original, got right to the point, and could serve as models for students. His book, "Black Money," first published in 1965, is filled with images of death: "The orchestra was playing again, and through the archway I could see people dancing in the adjoining room. Most of the tunes, and most of the dancers, has been new in the twenties and thirties. Together they gave the impression of a party that had been going on too long, till the music and the dancers were worn as thin as the husks of insects after spiders had eaten them."

Or, "And I thought that Ginny and

Kitty, girls from opposite ends of the same town, had quite a lot in common after all. Neither one had quite survived the accident of beauty. It had made them into things, zombies in a dead desert world, as painful to contemplate as meaningless crucifixions."

MacDonald could dazzle the reader with sudden insights into his characters, sharp volleys which flash by rapidly but help to build a sense of coming disaster. "He had probably been handsome, too, with his sensitive mouth and clean features. But he looked as if he had had a recent illness, and the eyes behind his reading glasses were haunted by the memory of it. His handshake was cold."

"His wife opened the kitchen door and looked out. Her face was set in a look of concern which somehow gave the impression that it had been blunted by use."

"Dr. Wills was a small thin man with a dedicated-scientist look, in-

tensified by steel-rimmed glasses. He handled himself as if his hands, his fingers, even his eyes and mouth were technical instruments, useful but not alive; and the real Dr. Wills sat hidden in his skull directing their external operations."

Of another character, "Her mind was running in swift repetitious circles like a squirrel in a cage."

"She bit her mouth, as if to punish it for saying too much. In the midst of her old grief and rage, she looked at me cautiously. I had the strange feeling that she was sitting apart from herself, playing on her own emotions the way another woman might play on an organ, but leaving one end of the keyboard untouched."

"She was silent. Her face was like a colored picture straining in agony to come to life. Life glittered first in her eyes."

The descriptions of settings give them nearly as much life as the people. "The lobby of the hotel was the

mouth of a tourist trap which had lost its bite. There were scuff-marks on the furniture, dust on the philodendrons. The bellhop wore an old blue uniform which looked as if he had fought through the Civil War in it."

"Montevista is a residential community adjacent to and symbiotic with the harbor city of Pacific Point. It has only one small shopping center, which calls itself the Village Square. Among its mock-rustic shops the Montevistans play at being simple villagers the way the courtiers of Versailles pretended to be peasants."

"An unsteady wind carrying a gritty taste of desert was blowing down from the direction of the mountains. The eucalyptus trees swayed and bowed and waved in the gusts like long-haired madwomen racked by impulse. The night which loomed above the trees and dwarfed them seemed threatening."

For its purpose, it would be very hard to write a much better paragraph than that.

**Court Ruling Points Up Vital Role of Zoning**

Judge Glenn Toothman, in a recent Greene County Court opinion, succinctly summed up the the paradox of the concept of zoning as a tool to protect neighborhoods and at the same time foster orderly development.

The opinion decided a case in which a Waynesburg resident appealed a decision by the borough zoning board to grant a permit to the owner of a funeral home to create a parking lot in a section of town set aside for residential use.

Most residents of the area signed petitions supporting the idea of the lot as a means of relieving parking and traffic congestion in the area of the funeral home, which was built many years before the zoning ordinance was adopted and exists in the residential area as a non-conforming use. But one property owner whose lot adjoins the site of the proposed lot took the matter to court on the grounds that it would intrude on her privacy and reduce the value of her house.

"Zoning, particularly in a municipal setting such as this, is an extremely delicate and sensitive matter," Judge Toothman said. "And while the conflict, as here, is often reduced to a confrontation between two individuals, we must still keep in mind the general overall affect on the neighborhood."

"In this context, while the plaintiff's privacy (which we consider greatly important) is lessened, if only to a modest degree, the ruling of the zoning board will considerably reduce a long-standing problem in the area."

In another recent case, the Greene County Court was asked to decide the issue of a pizza parlor being built in a Waynesburg area zoned for commercial use, but containing several homes. An appeal taken by one of the home owners resulted in greatly improved plans for the pizzeria which met most of the objections voiced by the resident, resulting in an agreement to withdraw the lawsuit.

Such conflicts over land use are by no means unusual and frequently involve the issue of individual rights vs. community development. Zoning provides a forum for airing of the issues and a tool through which some type of accommodation can be reached.

**LETTERBOX**

**Thank You For All The Help**

The Deacons' Food Cupboard of the First Presbyterian Church of Waynesburg has provided food to approximately 359 families this year on an emergency basis. This is the result of many helping hands and giving hearts. We would like to thank the following for their obedience to God in providing food and money for the purchase of food for their neighbors in need:

The members of the First Presbyterian Church for their gifts of food, money and time donated to help transport and stock the food; the members of the First United Methodist Church and the Washington Street United Methodist Church for their consistent commitment to providing food and money for the cupboard; members of St. George's Episcopal Church for their gifts of canned and dried goods; Boy Scout Troop 1287 under the leadership of Robert Scott for their donations of pancake mix and sausage.

Also, Little Sisters of Theta Chi and Little Sisters of Alpha Phi Delta fraternities for canvassing the college and community before Thanksgiving for food; Hospice Care Inc., through Jim Wasylak for its donation of frozen meats and food; First National Bank and Trust Company of Washington for its generous donations of canned and dried food and the IGA Foodliner for breads and baked goods.

We appreciate the help and cooperation of the Public Assistance Office, Red Cross, Dee Eisiminger at Community Action, Barb Coccari and others at the Greene County Food Bank, Catholic Charities and Paul Salosky at Shop 'N' Save.

We appreciate the spirit of cooperation between the Presbyterian Church and all of these groups to help us be good stewards of all God provides for. We thank you for the labors to faithfully provide for the needs, and God has blessed this faithfulness. We praise God for His goodness seen through each of you and pray His blessings will be upon each giver and recipient this Christmastide.

David L. Barrett, Pastor, First Presbyterian Church

**Patient Praises Hospital Staff**

I would like to address this letter to residents of Greene County. Many times I have heard derogatory remarks made about the Greene County Memorial Hospital and the tendency, for many of us, is to believe what we hear. Speaking from my personal experience I must disagree with those remarks.

No doubt many of you have heard the saying: "You don't appreciate what you have until you no longer have it." We should learn to appreciate what we have and give the hospital our support.

Recently I was a patient in the Greene County Memorial Hospital and I would like to take this time to express my gratitude and thanks for the treatment I received. Beginning with the emergency room and including the administration, nursing staff, surgical staff and especially Dr. Shirish DeSai.

I can speak only for myself and my thanks go out to all of you at the Greene County Memorial Hospital. May each of you have a joyous holiday season and a prosperous New Year.

Tom Shumaker, Clarksville



Observer-Reporter

**New Safety Record**

A new safety record was set at the Emerald Mine in Waynesburg on Dec. 19, marking the 401st day worked by 60 Preparation Plant and Outside employees without a lost time accident. The previous record of 400 days was set in

1982-83. Kneeling in front are Bill Franczyk, left, and Gary Shuckhart. Standing, from left, are Tony Barbetta, foreman; Dick Machesky, safety director; Mike Morris, Thurman Phillips, plant superintendent; Carl Wade and Lew Hughes.

**All Around Greene**

**POMONA GRANGE MEETS**

**CARMICHAELS**—Greene County Pomona Grange held its quarterly meeting and covered dish dinner on Saturday, Dec. 7, at the Carmichaels Grange hall.

Worthy Master Gladys A. Day, who was a delegate to the State Grange session and served on the education committee while there, presented awards to women's activities chairmen of county granges. She also presented Pomona Lecturer Mary Jane Kent with the 1985 "Pomona Lecturer of the Year" sash which she was awarded by the state grange.

Also reporting on activities at the state grange session were Albert Laheh, Pomona Secretary Helen C. Dinsmore and Junior Grange Deputy Zelda Kozar.

Mary Jane Kent presented awards to lecturers of county granges for their 1985 reports. She announced that Bridget Ann Wade had won second place in the talent-variety contest held at the state session.

Mrs. Kent reported on the Fayette County 7th degree banquet and a meeting of Hayfield Grange in Crawford County which she attended.

She asked that each subordinate grange present a possible theme for the 1986 county fair displays at the March Pomona meeting and asked for opinions on chartering a bus for county members to attend the 1986 state grange session near Reading.

Members voted to submit the names of J. Robert Rice and Walter Burns for farmer directors and Thomas Headlee and Bryan Jacobs for urban directors to the Greene County Conservation District.

John Rose was elected to the executive committee and Louise Kerr and Hilda Rose were elected to the finance committee.

It was decided to hold the March Pomona meeting at Aleppo Grange and the June meeting at Dunkard

Township grange. Seventh degree officers will announce the time and place for their 1986 banquet.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Delmont Rose, a member of the finance committee who died recently.

Mrs. Kent presented a Christmas program with devotions by Mary Whipkey, a song by Patricia Kent, and group singing.

**BOWLING RESULTS**

Barna's Furniture and Howard Motors each won four games in Thursday Night Classic Bowling League action last week at the Arbor Terrace Lanes.

Mary Hare had a 193 high game and a 552 high series as Barna's blanked Waynesburg Milling, led by Joyce Watson with 173-442.

Shirley Kerr rolled 214-588 in leading Howard Motors over Isabel's Catering, paced by Paula Raugellis with 185-436.

Shipman's, with a 173-431 effort from Lisa Haines, won three games and tied the fourth with 77 Market, led by Chris Yourchik with 165-453.

**RECEIVES AWARD**

David Glaser, son of Thomas and Donna Glaser of Waynesburg, was recently presented the Eagle of the Cross award by the Youth Ministry Office of the Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh.

Bishop Anthony Bevilacqua made the presentation to Glaser and 15 other young men and women who have shown outstanding service to their parish, school and community. The awards were presented at the International Year of Youth closing ceremonies at St. Paul's Cathedral in Oakland.

Glaser is a member of St. Ann's Church at Waynesburg and is a junior at Waynesburg Central High School. He is a member of Boy Scout Troop 1287.

Five members of St. Ann's Church were recently awarded certificates

for completing a youth ministry training program sponsored by the Pittsburgh Diocese.

The program is designed to provide non-professional adult volunteers with an opportunity to gain a fundamental understanding of youth ministry and to improve the skills and knowledge necessary in ministry to youth.

Those who received certification were John Lavigne, Michael Mosley, Donna Koller, Rupert Eder and Martin Haloda.

**COMPLETES COURSE**

Airman Jeffrey R. Camino, son of Mr. and Mrs. Barry Camino of 137 Huffman Street, Waynesburg, has graduated from the environmental medicine specialist course at Books Air Force Base, Texas.

Airman Camino is a 1985 graduate of Waynesburg Central High School.

**GRADUATES**

Martin Verna, son of Art and Patty Verna of Bobtown, graduated on Dec. 11 from the Art Institute of Pittsburgh, receiving an associate degree in specialized technology design with a major in visual communications.

Earlier this year Verna placed sixth in poster competition at the International Design Conference in Aspen, Colo. His poster, "Illusion is Truth," will be exhibited in eight major cities in 1985-86.

He also won first and third place prizes in the West Virginia University miniature painting competition; designed campaign posters for district representatives of United Mine Workers Local 471 at Masontown; was courtroom artist for television news reports for KDKA-TV in Pittsburgh, and has done logo designs, keyline art and store sign designs for local businesses.

Verna is a 1983 Mapletown High School graduate.

**WIND RIDGE ITEMS**

Virginia B. Guthrie is home again after visiting her brother and family,

Mr. and Mrs. Ben D. Butcher of Pittsburgh.

Tiffany Skinner of Sycamore, N.Y., visited her grandmother, Leota Adrian.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Staggers hosted Thanksgiving dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Whiting and daughter, Kris, and Joe Staggers of Uniontown, Mildred McGlumphy and Annie Petck, Sandy Staggers and son, Mark, all of Wind Ridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Guthrie and daughter, Nikkie, hosted Thanksgiving dinner for Mr. and Mrs. William Kiel and Mark Kiel of Jollytown; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Guthrie and daughter, Sandy, and Mary McClellan, all of Wind Ridge and Ronnie Guthrie and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Keindest and son of Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tharp received word of the marriage of their grandson, Jerry Lee Tharp of Indiana, to Joyce Cornean of Gary, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jacobs of Cameron Star Route had as Thanksgiving weekend guests, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Pietras and son, Michael; Mr. and Mrs. Darrell McMasters and family, Darla and Douglas, all of Warren, Ohio; John Jacobs and son, Bobby of Harmony, Tiffany Skinner, Leota Adrian and Diane Hughes.

Thelma McCracken had Thanksgiving dinner in the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Long of Moundsville, W.Va. Over the weekend she had as guests, her son and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McCracken of Warren, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. James Helphenstine has as Thanksgiving guests, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Helphenstine and family; Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Tedrow and family, Mrs. Corale Helphenstine and Lori and John Helphenstine.

Edward Kent, a member of the U.S. Air Force stationed at Fort Sumter, S.C., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Kent. He will remain here to go deer hunting.



# Jackets May Lose Harold Hamlin For 12 Months

By John Barker, O-R Sports Staff

In a sudden and tragic twist of fate, Waynesburg College's basketball program has been dealt a major blow.

Harold Hamlin, the Yellow Jackets' outstanding junior forward, has severely injured his left knee and could miss from nine to 12 months of playing time.

Head coach Rudy Marisa said Sun-

day Hamlin most likely suffered a torn or severed anterior cruciate ligament Friday night, Dec. 20, in an 88-77 victory over Salem College (W.Va.) at College Gym. The ligament helps hold the upper and lower bones of the leg together.

Hamlin entered a hospital Tuesday for surgery to determine the actual damage and what reconstructive surgery will be needed, if any. Marisa said doctors feel 95 percent

sure the ligament is severed or torn. If major reconstruction is needed, nine to 12 months would be needed for rehabilitation.

"They (doctors) have given me every indication that not only will this injury cost him the season, but it will take time beyond that," said Marisa, whose team is off to an impressive 7-0 start, including a championship in the recent Washington Invitational Tournament.

Hamlin averaged 21.6 points per game before the Salem contest and just passed the 1,000 career point plateau in a win over rival California University Nov. 29.

The 6-7 graduate of Peabody High School in Pittsburgh now has 1,105 career points, which is 15th on Waynesburg's all-time, scoring list. During his three seasons, the Jackets have a record of 55-11.

"In my opinion the only thing that could have caused a major calamity to happen was to lose Harold," Marisa said. "To lose our other two captains would have been a major blow, but to lose Harold is a calamity. . . most everybody else would have replacements.

"It is unfair to Harold because he has been so committed to the program. He, above any player I've coached so far, has a shot at playing professional basketball. His size is the reason for that. That separates him from the others I've coached."

Hamlin injured his knee while jumping for a dunk approximately six minutes into the Salem game. His knee twisted and he crashed to the floor. After several minutes he was carried from the floor. "His leg buck-

led," said Marisa. "There was no collision, he just tripped himself when he planted his foot."

If Hamlin does miss this season, his chances of being redshirted appear slim. Charlie Eppler, the NAIA's national information director, said Sunday night he thinks three games may be the most a player can participate in and still be redshirted.

"That's too many," said Eppler, answering to the fact Hamlin played in seven games. "I think it is three games. We have a number, not a percentage like the NCAA. I think the NCAA's is 20 percent. I don't believe there are any exceptions, either. Our rules are solid on the number. If it's three, it's three."

District 18 chairman Jerry Conboy, who is head coach at Point Park, also said he believes seven games are too many for Hamlin to be redshirted. "I think seven would be too many."

"I just feel awful for them. I tried to get Harold myself. He's one of the best players in the district and that will be a blow to them. His quickness, his size and his shooting ability made him a very good player. He's the type of player that can lead you to the district title and more."

Waynesburg will now have to re-

shuffle its lineup when it starts back Jan. 34 in the Lock Haven Tournament. The Jackets have been starting freshmen guard Darrin Walls and center Derrick Samuels along with junior center Theron Hogue and senior point guard Tim McConnell.

Rick Puskar, Terry Clark and Rob Montgomery have seen most of the action off the bench but none of the remaining players can carry the team like Hamlin, who scored 551 points last season and was the team's leading rebounder with an 8.4 average.

"To the team, it is a tremendous blow going into the new year because all of our most bitter rival games are ahead of us," said Marisa, whose team has won back-to-back District 18 titles. "In fact, we haven't played one true district game. We are 2-0 in the district because of games assigned to us with West Virginia Conference teams."

"In short, we are going into battle with our cannon removed. . . our goals now will be three to five times more difficult to achieve."

Hamlin was Freshman of the Year in District 18 two seasons ago and was named second-team all-district last season.



Observer-Reporter/Christie Molton

Waynesburg College head basketball coach Rudy Marisa (left) awards Harold Hamlin a ball during a ceremony Dec. 11 commemorating Hamlin for scoring 1,000 career points.

## HIGH SCHOOL SCORES

### Devils 86, Rockets 45

JEFFERSON — Mario Bongiorno scored a game-high 31 points to lead Burgettstown High School to an easy 86-45 exhibition win over Jeff-Morgan here Tuesday night, Dec. 17.

Bongiorno was joined in double figures by John Gabriel, who added 20 points, and John Reed and Vince Eannace, who both scored 10 points.

The win improves Burgettstown's overall record to 3-1.

Jeff-Morgan, which remains winless at 0-4, was led by Larry Reynolds' 16 points. Both Frank Rizzo and Terry Simkovic added 11 points apiece for the Rockets.

### Raiders 29, Highlanders 26

BALDWIN — Waynesburg High

### Indians 60, Mikettes 44

CARMICHAELS — Peters Township High School girls, with Candy Ross and Vicky Humphreys combining for 45 points, defeated Carmichaels 60-44 Thursday, Dec. 19, in an exhibition basketball game.

The Indians, who have a 5-2 overall record, led by quarters 19-13; 37-26 and 49-39.

Ross scored 26 points with Humphreys contributing 19.

The Mikettes, 3-2 overall, were led by Missy Chess with 14 points. Chris David and Shannon Ganocy each scored 10.

### Gators 60, Mikes 58

CARMICHAELS — Two free throws in the last six seconds by

## Raiders Hold Off Wash High

Waynesburg High School's girls basketball team managed to escape the Washington gym Tuesday night, Dec. 17, with a 54-48 victory over the Little Presidents, extending its perfect record to 5-0.

"It was a close game all the way," WHS head coach Jim Shoaf said. "They pulled ahead at the half (18-14), and it was nip and tuck all the way although we never got any closer than four points."

Debbie Trader led the Red Raiders with 19 points, as their main scoring threat, Tammy McIntire, was held to 14.

"We used a box-and-one on McIntire, and it helped some. She's a tough

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# Greene County Obituaries

## County Court Admits 12 To ARD Program

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### John I. Hook Jr.

John I. Hook Jr., 69, a prominent Waynesburg attorney, was dead on arrival at Greene County Memorial Hospital at 1:15 p.m. Saturday, December 21, 1985, after suffering a heart attack in his home at 590 Sherman Avenue.

Mr. Hook was senior member of the Waynesburg law firm of Hook and Hook.

He was born at Waynesburg September 3, 1916, a son of the late John Inghram Hook Sr. and Sara Iams Hook. His father served as president judge of Greene County Courts from 1946 through 1965.

He graduated in 1934 from the Northwood School at Lake Placid, N.Y. and in 1938 from Princeton University, where he was a member of the varsity basketball team. After graduating from the University of Pennsylvania Law School at Philadelphia in 1941, he returned to Waynesburg and was admitted to the Greene County Bar Association. In September of that year he entered the U.S. Army, being discharged in 1945 with the rank of major.

He began his law practice in Waynesburg in 1946 with the firm of Scott and Hook. In addition to general and corporate practice, he specialized in municipal law and had served as solicitor for townships throughout Greene County for a number of years. He was a member and past president of the Greene County Bar Association and a member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association, American Bar Association and American Judicature Society.

Mr. Hook was a lifelong member of the First Presbyterian Church of Waynesburg and was a member of the board of directors of the First National Bank and Trust Company of Washington and of the Greene County Historical Society.

He was instrumental in establishment of the Greene County Planning Commission in 1956 and was on its first board of directors. In 1958 he was one of the organizers of Greene County Industrial Developments Inc., serving as its first president, a post he held for a number of years. He was also active in organization of the Franklin Township Sewer Authority.

An avid golfer, he was a member of the Lone Pine Golf Club, the Greene County Country Club, and the Quail Ridge Country Club at Boynton Beach, Fla.

Mr. Hook was a member of the Fort Jackson Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, the University Club of Pittsburgh, and of several other civic and fraternal organizations.

On December 12, 1945 he married Bertha V. Scarborough, who died January 20, 1972.

Surviving are his second wife, Dorothy N. Hunter Hook, whom he married October 6, 1979; two sons, John I. Hook III of New York, N.Y., and David C. Hook of Waynesburg; a daughter, Mary Melissa Hook of New York, N.Y.; three stepdaughters, Martha L. Hunter of Pittsburgh, Barbara H. Burghart of Colorado, Colo., and Elizabeth T. Hunter, M.D., of Orlando, Fla.; three grandchildren, and two brothers, James Hook of Waynesburg and Robert A. Hook of Bridgeport, W.Va.

A brother, Billy, is deceased.

### Luella Brown Hall

Luella Brown Hall, 67, of 550 North West Street, Waynesburg, died at 7:45 a.m., Saturday, December 22, 1985, in her residence of an apparent heart attack.

She was born March 26, 1918, in Houston, Pa., a daughter of the late Frank and Madolyn Wheeler Brown.

Mrs. Hall had spent her early life in Houston, moving to Waynesburg 55 years ago.

For over 30 years she was employed by the Greenway Manufacturing Co., retiring in 1982. She was a member of the Bethel A.M.E. Church.

Her husband, Herbert Stanley Hall, died March 13, 1980.

Surviving are two sons, Herbert S. Hall Jr. of Harrisburg, Ronald L. Hall of Waynesburg; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; one sister, Valera Mitchell of Chicago, Ill.; two brothers, Richard Brown of Toronto, Ohio, Dunbar Brown of Erie, and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are one son, Joseph S. Hall; one sister, Aileen Smith; and two brothers, Randolph and Donald Brown.

### Etta Kiger

Etta Marie Kiger, 78, of Waynesburg R.D.4 died at 6:30 a.m. Friday, December 20, 1985, in Greene County Memorial Hospital, after being ill for one year.

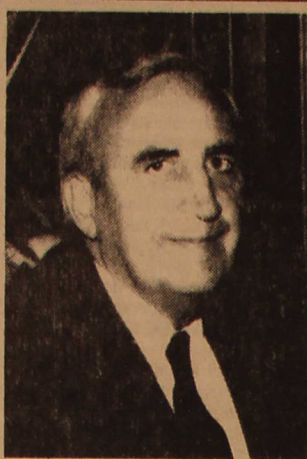
She was born May 23, 1907, near Brock, a daughter of the late Allison and Bertha Zimmerman King.

She lived her entire life in Greene County. She was a housewife.

She was a member of the Pursley Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Clarence Kiger, whom she married March 30, 1946; three sons, Samuel L. King of Waynesburg, Cameron Star King, Richard L. Kiger of Waynesburg R.D.5 and Gerald L. Kiger of Jefferson R.D.1; six grandchildren; and one sister, Geneva King Robinson of Fairmont, W.Va.

Deceased are her foster-mother, Icie Stewart; a sister, Betty Hopkins; and three brothers, Orrville (Happy) King, James King and Jeremiah Junior King.



DIES — John I. Hook Jr., a prominent Waynesburg attorney, died Saturday, after suffering a heart attack in his home. He was 69.

### Pearl Palone

Pearl Zappone Palone, 57, of Crucible died unexpectedly at 11:40 p.m. Thursday, December 19, 1985, in Monongalia General Hospital, Morgantown, W.Va.

She was born March 16, 1928, in Crucible, a daughter of the late Sinibaldo and Cora Cremens Zappone.

She was a homemaker. She lived her entire life in Crucible.

She was a member of the New Apostolic Church.

She is survived by her husband, Raymond Palone, whom she married in 1964; a daughter, Denise K. Clister of Valcaville, Calif.; three sons, Jerry Kowalczyk of Carmichaels and Charles Kowalczyk and John Patchen, both of Crucible; five brothers, Charles, Carl and Russell Zappone, all of Crucible, Roy Zappone of Cleveland, Ohio and Frank Zappone of Pittsburgh; and four sisters, Mrs. Virginia Ohler of Crucible, Mrs. Margaret Ferea of Fredericktown, Mrs. Stella Dikon of Dry Tavern and Mrs. Carmella Bainbridge of Crucible.

Deceased are four brothers, Domenick, Joseph, James and George Zappone; and one sister, Mary Ohler.

### Mabel Thomas

Mabel G. Thomas, 75, of 555 North Richhill Street, Waynesburg, died of a heart attack at 3:45 a.m. Thursday, December 19, 1985, in her home.

She was born June 22, 1910, near Carmichaels, a daughter of the late David and Effie Crago Guesman.

She was a graduate of Carmichaels High School and had attended Waynesburg College, where she received a teaching certificate.

She had taught for 35 years at Central Elementary School in Carmichaels. She was a former resident of the Carmichaels area and resided in Waynesburg since 1949.

She was a member of the First Christian Church in Waynesburg, where she had taught Sunday school and was active in the church choir and women's societies.

She also was a member of state and local retired teachers' associations.

She is survived by her husband, Roy S. Thomas, whom she married June 25, 1949; a sister, Mrs. Olive Ely of Columbus, Ohio; a brother, Reuben Guesman of Carmichaels; five nieces; and several great-nieces and great-nephews.

Deceased are two brothers, Lowell Guesman and Joshua Guesman.

### Charles L. Maine

Charles L. Maine, 64, of Route 1, Core, W.Va. died Wednesday, December 18, 1985, in West Virginia University Medical Center, Morgantown, W.Va.

He was born March 25, 1921, in Greene County, a son of the late Dorsey Lee and Ethel Mae King Maine.

He was a retired coal miner and had worked at the Pursglove No. 15 Mine. He was a member of the National Rifle Association, the American Legion, Post 2 in Morgantown and the United Mine Workers, Local 2122.

He is survived by his wife, Mazie Davies Maine; three sons, Charles D. Maine, William O. Maine and Willard Maine, all of Core; three daughters, Jean Rebold of Wadestown, W.Va. and Wilma Kessler and Regina Tennant, both of Core; 11 grandchildren; and one sister, Wilma Perry of Frederick, Md.

One brother and one grandson are deceased.

### Joseph Bruno

Joseph Bruno, 82, of Waynesburg R.D.4, died Friday, December 20, 1985, in Greene County Memorial Hospital, after being ill for six months.

He was born November 19, 1903, in Italy, a son of the late Gaetano and Mary Angela Tolella Bruno.

He lived most of his life in the Waynesburg area. He was a member of St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church in Waynesburg.

He is survived by three brothers, Ralph and Mickey Bruno, both of Waynesburg, and Tony Bruno of Washington; three sisters, Rose Catherine of Pittsburgh, Nellie Bava of Michigan and Mary Matz of Waynesburg; several nieces and nephews.

Two brothers, Louis and Frank Bruno, and a sister, Marcella Petros, are deceased.

### Madge Waychoff

Madge Waychoff, 90, Waynesburg R.D.2, died after a long illness at 5:30 a.m. Thursday, December 19, 1985.

She was born November 11, 1895 in Waynesburg, a daughter of Jacob and Martha Cathers Waychoff. She never married.

She was employed for many years at the former Harvey Call grocery store in Waynesburg and later operated her own grocery store on South Morris Street and Madge's gift shop on High Street.

Miss Waychoff was a member of the Washington Street United Methodist Church; a member and past noble grand of Lady Greene Rebekah Lodge 385; a member of the Tahoma Club of the lodge, and a former member of the Ladies Auxiliary to Greene County Memorial Hospital.

She is survived by four nieces, Wanda Graham of Meadville, Alice Sherman of Baden, and Thelma Lyons and Minnie Vosburgh, both of Conway, and a nephew, John Wright of Whittier, Calif.

Three sisters, Jennie Jones, Mary Waychoff and Jessie Wright, are deceased.

### Helene Minnear

Helene C. Minnear, 73, of 170 East Greene Street, Waynesburg, died at 11 a.m. Monday, December 23, 1985, in the Greene Health Care Center following a lingering illness.

She was born October 9, 1912, in Center Township, a daughter of the late Abijah H. and Eva Cage Cole.

She lived her entire life in Greene and Washington counties. She was employed for several years at Greene County Memorial Hospital.

She was a member of the First Christian Church of Waynesburg.

Her husband, Raymond H. Minnear, died July 26, 1967.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. James L. (Shirley) Edgar of Waynesburg, Mrs. Oakley (Joyce) Long of Manchester, Mo. and Mrs. Richard (Linda) Hatfield of Washington; a son, Gary R. Minnear of Jefferson; 12 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; three brothers, Lawrence and Robert Cole, both of Rogersville, and Edward Cole of Sykesville; and several nieces and nephews.

Deceased are one sister, Mary Polly Watson, and four brothers, Charles, Clyde, Delmar and Delbert Cole.

### Virginia Firestone

Virginia S. Firestone, 59, of 1158 South Lincoln Avenue, Salem, Ohio, formerly of Waynesburg, died at 4:16 p.m. Sunday, December 22, 1985, in Salem Community Hospital, after suffering a heart attack.

She was born May 15, 1926, in Waynesburg, a daughter of the late George and Martha Evalyn Knisely Swanger.

She had lived her early life in Waynesburg, and spent her last few years in Ohio. She was employed for 18 years at Greene County Memorial Hospital.

She was a member of Nazarene Church of Waynesburg.

She is survived by her husband, Woodrow W. Firestone, whom she married June 27, 1957; one daughter, Mrs. Robert (Barbara) Weaver of Malvern, Ohio; two step-daughters, Mrs. Archie (Nancy) Crum and Mrs. Richard (Shirley) Scott, both of Salem; two step-sons, James Firestone of Riverside, Calif. and Robert Firestone of Cleveland, Ohio; eight grandchildren; seven sisters, Mrs. Clyde (Catherine) Price of Bulger, Mrs. Eleanor Meeks of Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Millard (Betty) Cox of Waynesburg, Mrs. Albert (Delores) Wood of Waynesburg, Mrs. George (Shirley) Nebel of Riverdale, Md., Mrs. Clyde (Peggy) Yeager of Vienna, Ohio and Mrs. Sandra McNeely of Mechanicsville, Md.; and five brothers, George Swanger of Youngstown, Ohio, James Swanger of Mesa, Ariz., Donald Swanger of Riverdale, Md., Robert Swanger of Riverside, Calif. and Ronald Swanger of Waynesburg.

One sister, Frances Marlene Swanger, and one brother, Charles Swanger, are deceased.

### Dorothy Cunningham

Dorothy Cunningham, 73, of Jefferson R.D.1, died at noon, Saturday, December 21, 1985, in the Greene County Memorial Hospital, following an illness of 16 months.

She was born in West Virginia on June 30, 1912, a daughter of Elmer and Zona Hood.

In 1933 she married Robert Cunningham who survives.

Mrs. Cunningham was a homemaker and had also raised several foster children and cared for the elderly in her home.

She had resided most of her life in Jefferson where she was a member of the Jefferson Church of the Nazarene.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Bernard (Mae) Gindesperger of Elizabeth, one son, Leroy E. Cunningham of Jefferson; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; three brothers, Leroy Hood of West Elizabeth, Elmer Hood of Large, Robert Hood of Boston, Pa.; three sisters, Mrs. Thelma Bendle of Clairton, Mabel Carpenter of the state of California, and Catherine McCay of Large.

Deceased are two sisters, Ellen Hahn and Elizabeth Tatton and one brother, Edward Hood.

WAYNESBURG — Defendants in 12 criminal cases were admitted to the Accelerated Rehabilitative and Disposition program following hearings recently in Greene County Court.

Three of the 12 defendants — Michael Douglas Mathason of Waynesburg R.D.5, Jeffrey Lee McWilliams of Carmichaels and David Thomas Tolan of Carmichaels R.D.1 — were charged with driving while intoxicated.

Each was ordered to pay \$250 in administration costs, plus court costs, and was placed on probation for one year. They also will have their driver's licenses suspended for 30 days and will be required to attend driver improvement school.

Others admitted to the program were:

Gregory Miller Childs, Fredericktown, unauthorized use of automobile and criminal mischief. He was placed on probation for two years and was ordered to make restitution and pay court costs.

Richard Day Battistoni of Pine Bank, burglary and receiving stolen property. He was placed on probation for one year and ordered to pay \$100 in administration costs plus court costs.

Dawn Joy Patton, New Freeport R.D.1, receiving stolen property. She was placed on probation for six months and ordered to pay \$100 in administration costs plus court costs.

Charles Rae Leichter, Waynesburg R.D.4, cruelty to animals. He was placed on probation for three months and was ordered to pay court costs plus \$50, and to make restitution.

Tim Edward Eddy, Waynesburg R.D.2, criminal trespass, criminal mischief and recklessly endangering. He was placed on probation for one year and was ordered to make restitution and pay \$100 in administrative costs plus court costs.

Roger W. King, Brownsville, bad check. He was placed on probation for one year and was ordered to make restitution and pay court costs.

Blaine Walkeen Smitley, Frederick, Md., receiving stolen property. He was placed on probation for six months and was ordered to pay \$100 in administrative costs plus court costs.

Lawrence D. Wilkins Jr., Mt. Morris, theft by unlawful taking. He was placed on probation for three months and ordered to pay court costs and \$50 in administrative costs.

Ellen M. Thorne, Connellsville, second offense retail theft. She was placed on probation for three months and was ordered to pay \$50 in administrative costs plus court costs.

## Marijuana Found In Greene County

HARRISBURG — The state police found two marijuana gardens in Greene County this year as the result of its helicopter aerial surveillance program.

State police helicopters had searched areas in the county on four occasions during the five-month program, which concluded Oct. 31.

The searches in many cases were initiated on tips received from residents and others in the communities, said Curt Ashenfelter, state police spokesman.

"We work off of information we receive," he said. In addition, state police pilots were trained to search for marijuana as they fly from one area to another on other business.

Nearly 16,000 marijuana plants with an estimated value of \$10 million were located throughout the state as a result of the program. This year's program also resulted in 49 arrests, the confiscation of eight weapons and location of four indoor greenhouse operations.

According to Ashenfelter, arrests were not made at each of the 428 gardens that were found during the year because, in most cases, "people use other people's property to plant their marijuana," and to make arrests police would have to provide continuous surveillance at a plot.

## hospital register

### Greene Memorial

**ADMISSIONS**  
Mark Harbaugh, Rices Landing  
Frances Loughman, Waynesburg  
Ann Dolansky, Fredericktown  
Helen Frantz, Waynesburg  
Kenneth Harasty, Clarksville  
Sheila Garetson, Waynesburg  
Donna Ross, Mather  
Robert Howes, Fredericktown  
Sheila Garetson, Waynesburg

**DISCHARGES**  
Goldie Williamson, Waynesburg  
Ethel King, Carmichaels  
Bessie Dean, Waynesburg  
Ralph Wilson, Waynesburg  
Ruth Ensminger, Sycamore  
Fabian Chun, Nemacon  
Gary Eisiminger, Waynesburg  
Robert Howes, Fredericktown  
Leona Harvey, Clarksville  
Elizabeth Yoders and daughter, Holbrook  
Lulu Cox, Carmichaels  
Goldie Williamson, Waynesburg

Two customers were instrumental in the capture of a man who police said attempted to steal a bottle of vodka from the state liquor store on East High Street, Waynesburg.

Police Chief Tim Hawfield said Gail Howard Miller, 28, of Sycamore R.D.1 will be cited for retail theft and public drunkenness, and possibly other charges, as a result of the incident at 3:40 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 17.

Hawfield said Craig Lint and Craig Wise, employees of the Greene County probation department, were in the store and overheard the clerk telephone for police when Miller allegedly left with the bottle concealed under his coat.

They followed him outside and detained him until police arrived. The probation department said Wednesday that Miller is currently serving a weekend sentence at the county jail on a drunken driving charge.

**A FLORIDA MAN WAS ARRESTED** Tuesday by Waynesburg Borough police on the basis of a fugitive warrant issued by the state of Florida, where he faces two charges of burglary and grand theft.

Police Chief Timothy Hawfield said Kevin Shaffer, 19, of Fort Pierce, Fla., who apparently has been in the Waynesburg area for some time, was arrested at 9:30 p.m. at a house at 62 West Greene Street, where he was attending a party.

State police assisted in the arrest, which was made without incident. Hawfield also said that Shaffer will be charged locally with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and perhaps other charges.

Shaffer is being held in Greene County Jail after being arraigned before Magistrate John Watson of Waynesburg, who set bail at \$70,000.

**A WAYNESBURG MAN** who reportedly fled from police on two occasions to avoid arrest on a charge of simple assault now faces additional charges of escape and resisting arrest.

William Warren Areford, 18, of 289 East High Street, was arrested at 3:15 p.m. Tuesday by Waynesburg police.

Police Chief Tim Hawfield said he first encountered Areford on the street on Nov. 20 and informed him he had a warrant for his arrest on the assault charge. As Hawfield was taking him to the magistrate's office, Areford broke loose and escaped, the police chief said.

On Dec. 14, he said, Areford ran from two other members of the police force who attempted to apprehend him.

Areford is being held in Greene County Jail after being arraigned before Magistrate John Watson, who set bail at \$15,000.

**JUVENILE CHRGES WILL BE BROUGHT** against two teen-agers who were arrested Tuesday for theft by deception, Waynesburg borough police said Wednesday.

Police Chief Tim Hawfield said the youths were going house-to-house in the borough posing as March of Dimes solicitors to illegally obtain money. He said they were apprehended when a housewife called in a complaint after noticing that the canisters they were using were homemade.

**TWO PEOPLE WERE INJURED** in a three-vehicle accident at 4:15 p.m. Tuesday on Route 18 near Prosperity.

State police identified the drivers as Jay Wonsettler, 18, of 394 Leonard Avenue, Washington; Catherine Wagh, 43, of Prosperity R.D.1; and Phyllis Lindley, 44, of Graysville R.D.1.

Wonsettler and a passenger, Lucy Dausey, 17, of 351 Burton Avenue, Washington, were treated at Washington Hospital and released, according to a hospital spokesman.

Several other accidents were reported in Washington County during the snowstorm.

A car driven by Brenda J. Ocozbek of Beech Bottom, W.Va., struck a fence at 4:10 p.m. on Route 844, West Middletown.

According to police, a tractor-trailer was fishtailing on the road and the woman turned to avoid it. She and a passenger, Martha Hall, 52, of 220 Gentile Road, Wellsburg, W.Va., complained of pain after the accident.

A car and truck were involved in an accident at 2 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18, on Interstate 70, one mile east of the Taylorstown exit.

State police said the car was driven by Richard C. Gangwer II of Morgantown, W.Va., and the truck was operated by Russell Lynn Obermeier of Charles City, Iowa.

Police said Gangwer changed lanes improperly and his car rolled over, coming to rest on its roof. Gangwer was injured but refused treatment, according to police.

### Public Notices

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
ESTATE OF Thomas L. Fox of Perry Township, Greene County, Pennsylvania, deceased.  
Letters of administration having been granted by the Register of Wills in and for Greene County, Pennsylvania, on the estate of the above named decedent, to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims or demands against the estate of said decedent, to make known the same; and all persons indebted to the said decedent are requested to make payment without delay to George B. Fox, 21 Cumberland Village Carmichaels, PA 15320 Administrator Pollock, Pollock & Thomas Attorneys 12-27; 1-3, 10

**ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE**  
ESTATE OF GEORGE M. BAILEY OF CUMBERLAND Township, Greene County, Pennsylvania, deceased.  
Letters of administration having been granted by the Register of Wills in and for Greene County, Pennsylvania, on the estate of the above named decedent, to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims or demands against the estate of said decedent, to make known the same; and all persons indebted to the said decedent are requested to make payment without delay to IRENE E. BAILEY, 102 Oak Avenue, Carmichaels, PA 15320 Administratrix THOMPSON AND BAILY Attorneys 12-13, 20, 27

**ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE**  
ESTATE OF HUBERT WHITFIELD, late of Mather, Morgan Township, Greene County, Pennsylvania, deceased.  
Letters testamentary on the above named estate having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and to those having claims against the same to present them properly authenticated, for settlement. JOHN YANDURA 1292 Shadyway Garfield Heights, Ohio 44125 Executor THOMPSON AND BAILY Attorneys 12-13, 20, 27, 1-3

**EXECUTRIX NOTICE**  
ESTATE OF ALLEN BURNS late of Richhill Township, Greene County, Pennsylvania, deceased.  
Letters testamentary on the above named estate having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and to those having claims against the same to present them properly authenticated, for settlement. Mrs. Anna Burns Box 54 Wind Ridge, PA 15380 Executrix James Hook, Esquire P. O. Box 792 Waynesburg, PA 15370 Attorney 12-13, 20, 27

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ESTATE OF HAZEL H. WEST late of CENTER Township, Greene County, Pennsylvania, deceased.  
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ESTATE OF ANNIE M. BONNELL late of CUMBERLAND Township, Greene County, Pennsylvania, deceased.  
Letters testamentary on the above named estate having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and to those having claims against the same to present them properly authenticated, for settlement. ANDREW A. BONNELL 585 Bowley Street Waynesburg, PA 15370 Executor THOMPSON AND BAILY Attorneys 12-13, 20, 27

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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
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